

Safety Chair Report  
Minnesota Swimming  
2004 Statistics

I have received a report from USA Swimming saying that they had received only 11 Report of Occurrence forms from our LSC during the year 2004. That is 5 more than the preceding year. It is imperative that copies of Reports of Occurrences are not only sent to me care of MSI, but also a copy MUST go to the USA Swimming Risk Management Department and also another copy MUST be sent to Risk Management Services, Inc. The addresses are on the bottom of the Report of Occurrence form. These can be found online and also in the Meet Directors' packets for running meets. This is the responsibility of the Club Personnel/Club Safety Coordinator. You could be putting your Club at risk for not filling out these forms and sending them to the proper people. This insurance is part of your swimmers' membership to USA Swimming. These forms need to be filled out properly and sent to the proper addresses in a timely manner.

There were 835 Report of Occurrence forms sent to USA Swimming from all LSCs in their jurisdiction. The following is a breakdown:

Age breakdown:

<u>Age</u>	<u>%</u>
1-8	13
9-10	18
11-12	23
13-14	19
15-18	18
19 & over	9

Nature of Injury

- Shoulder 4%
- Internal 3%
- Hand/arm 17%
- ENT/Mouth 10%
- Leg/Foot 26%
- Toro 3%
- Knees 5%
- Head/Neck 17%
- Other 15%

Who Injured

- Athletes 89%
- Non – Athlete 3%
- Guest 8%

Where Occurred

Water 44%  
Blocks 4%  
Hallway 3%  
Gym 2%  
Locker Room 5%  
Deck 25%  
Stairs 2%  
Bleachers 6%  
Outside Venue 6%  
Other 3%

When Occurred

Meet/Warmup 12%  
Meet/Warmdown 2%  
Practice/Water 33%  
Meet/Competition 46%  
Practice/Dryland 6%  
Other 1%

I will have some Safety posters available for Clubs at the HOD.

Respectfully yours,

Kathy H Czuprynski